

MCS Program

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Medical Care Services (MCS)

Medical Care Services (MCS)¹ is a state-funded program that provides limited medical assistance for low-income adults who are unable to work for at least 90 days due to a physical or mental incapacity, and are found eligible for Aged, Blind, or Disabled (ABD) cash assistance or the Housing and Essential Needs (HEN) Referral Program.

Highlights:

- The MCS program served a monthly average of 9,631 recipients in SFY 2014 (from July 2013 through December 2013), a slight increase from a monthly average of 9,583 in SFY 2013.
- In December 2013, the majority of MCS recipients were male (60.4%), white (67.0%), and never married (56.8%). The average age of MCS recipients was 40.8 years.

¹ During the 2013 legislative session, the Legislature passed Substitute House Bill 2069, which narrows MCS eligibility to include only ABD and HEN recipients who are ineligible for Medicaid expansion. This change will maintain MCS coverage for aged, blind, disabled or incapacitated persons who are lawfully present in the U.S. and not eligible for federally funded medical assistance because of immigration status. The effective date for these MCS eligibility changes is January 1, 2014. MCS data from January 2014 - June 2014 can be found in the medical assistance section of this Briefing Book under State Funded Medical Care Services.

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Selected MCS Characteristics SFY 2014

Source: ESA-ACES Data

	SFY 2014 (July 2013 – December 2013)
Average Number of Persons Per Month (Range)	9,631 (9,144 – 9,950)
Recipients as a Percent of State's Total Population	0.1%
State Total Population²	6,968,170
Recipients as a Percent of State's Population Age 18 and Over	Trace
State Population Age 18 and Over³	5,376,986

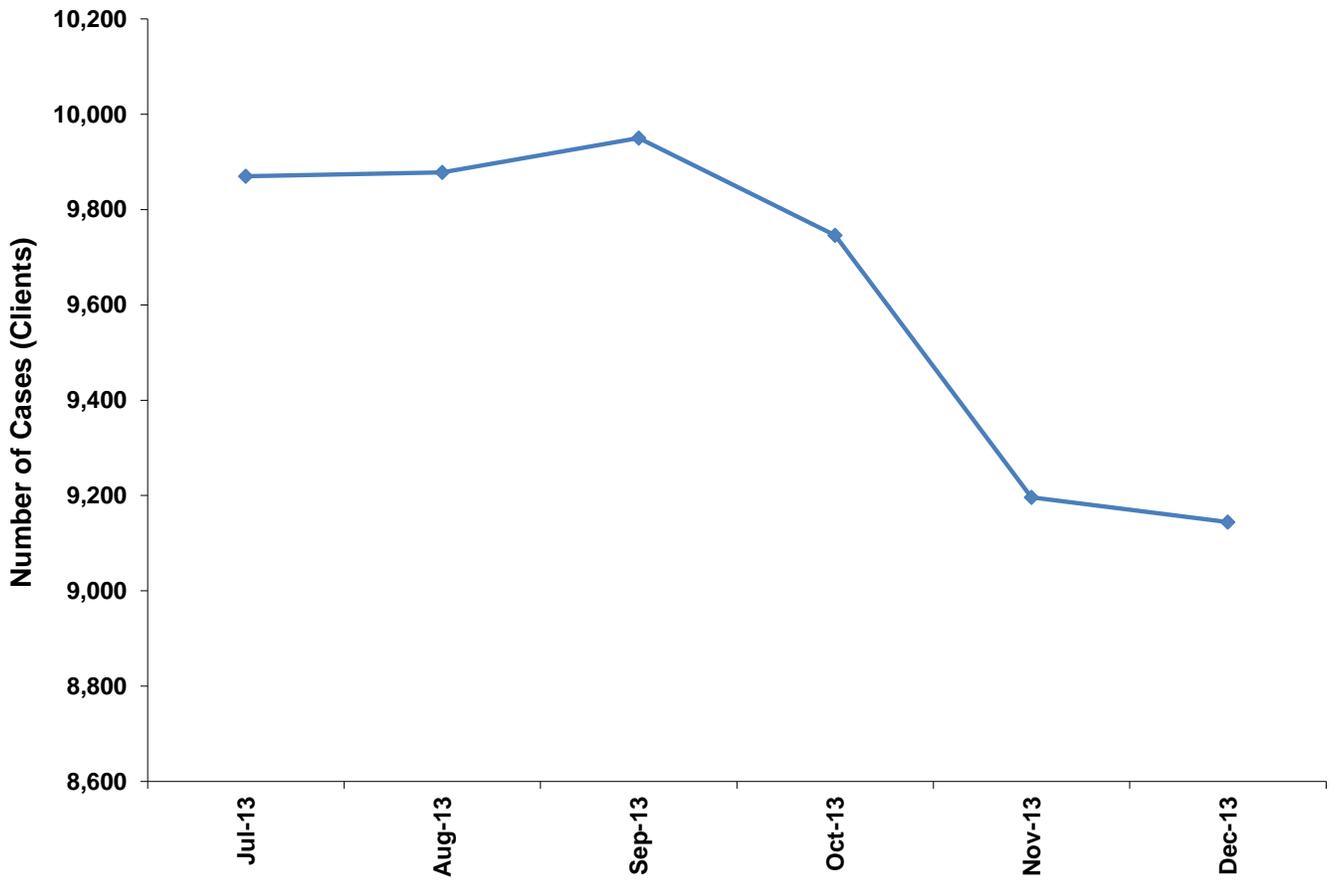
² OFM Forecasting Division

³ Ibid.

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MCS Clients by Month SFY 2014

Source: ESA-ACES Data



SFY 2014 (July – Dec. 2013)		Persons
July		9,870
August		9,878
September		9,950
October		9,746
November		9,196
December		9,144
Mo. Avg.		9,631

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MCS Moving to Other Programs SFY 2014

Source: ESA-ACES Data

SFY 2014	Total MCS Adults ⁴	During Subsequent Month Being Reported					
		Adults Remaining On MCS		Adults Moving to ABD		Adults Moving to SSI	
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
July	9,870	8,600	87.1%	298	3.0%	28	0.3%
August	9,878	8,669	87.8%	292	3.0%	24	0.2%
September	9,950	8,452	84.9%	399	4.0%	30	0.3%
October	9,746	8,093	83.0%	406	4.2%	36	0.4%
November	9,196	8,370	91.0%	257	2.8%	29	0.3%
December	9,144	7,640 ⁵	83.6%	449	4.9%	20	0.2%
Mo. Avg.	9,631	8,304	86.2%	350	3.6%	28	0.3%

SFY 2014	Total MCS Adults	During Subsequent Month Being Reported			
		Adults Moving to Other Cash ⁶		Adults Exiting MCS ⁷	
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent
July	9,870	16	0.2%	928	9.4%
August	9,878	28	0.3%	865	8.8%
September	9,950	16	0.2%	1,053	10.6%
October	9,746	22	0.2%	1,189	12.2%
November	9,196	10	0.1%	530	5.8%
December	9,144	22	0.2%	1,013	11.1%
Mo. Avg.	9,631	19	0.2%	930	9.7%

⁴ Clients who received MCS during the reporting month. Additional columns in the table represent programs the client received during the subsequent month.

⁵ These recipients transferred to the HEN Referral program when it started in January 2014.

⁶ These recipients moved to other cash programs, such as TANF, RCA, DCA, and SSP.

⁷ These adults were not enrolled in ABD, SSI, or other cash programs in the following month.

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MCS Clients by CSO of Issuance⁸ (DSHS Region, CSO, CSCC, and HCS Office) December 2013 Snapshot

Source: ESA-ACES Data

	Clients	
	Number	Percent
Region 1		
ACCESS SPOKANE 032	756	8.3%
CLARKSTON CSO	45	0.5%
COLFAX CSO	16	0.2%
COLVILLE CSO	67	0.7%
CSD-CSC RICHLAND	14	0.2%
ELLENSBURG CSO	32	0.3%
GOLDENDALE CSO	23	0.3%
KENNEWICK CSO	292	3.2%
MOSES LAKE CSO	109	1.2%
NEWPORT CSO	31	0.3%
OKANOGAN CSO	71	0.8%
REPUBLIC CSO	21	0.2%
SUNNYSIDE CSO	50	0.5%
WALLA WALLA CSO	42	0.5%
WAPATO CSO	51	0.6%
WENATCHEE CSO	103	1.1%
WHITE SALMON CSO	9	0.1%
YAKIMA CSO	174	1.9%
Region Total	1,906	20.8%
Region 2		
ALDERWOOD CSO	122	1.3%
AUBURN CSO	129	1.4%
BELLINGHAM CSO	207	2.3%
BELLTOWN CSO	374	4.1%
CAPITOL HILL CSO	134	1.5%
EVERETT CSO	308	3.4%
FEDERAL WAY CSO	140	1.5%
KING EASTSIDE CSO	200	2.2%
KING NORTH CSO	260	2.8%
KING SOUTH CSO	189	2.1%
MT VERNON CSO	112	1.2%
OAK HARBOR CSO	38	0.4%
RAINIER CSO	172	1.9%
RENTON CSO	155	1.7%
SKY VALLEY CSO	112	1.2%
SMOKEY POINT CSO	176	1.9%
WHITE CENTER CSO	303	3.3%
Region Total	3,131	34.2%

⁸ Caseload distribution is based on the location from which benefits were issued.

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MCS Clients by CSO of Issuance (DSHS Region, CSO, CSCC, and HCS Office) December 2013 Snapshot

Source: ESA-ACES Data

	Clients	
	Number	Percent
Region 3		
ABERDEEN CSO	268	2.9%
BREMERTON CSO	353	3.9%
CHEHALIS CSO	227	2.5%
COLUMBIA RIVER CSO	472	5.2%
FORKS CSO	13	0.1%
KELSO CSO	260	2.8%
LAKEWOOD CSO	174	1.9%
LONG BEACH CSO	47	0.5%
OLYMPIA CSO	362	4.0%
PIERCE NORTH CSO	232	2.5%
PIERCE SOUTH CSO	295	3.2%
PORT ANGELES CSO	73	0.8%
PORT TOWNSEND CSO	31	0.3%
PUYALLUP VALLEY CSO	219	2.4%
SHELTON CSO	207	2.3%
SOUTH BEND CSO	28	0.3%
STEVENSON CSO	42	0.5%
Region Total	3,303	36.1%
Customer Service Contact Centers (CSCC)		
CUSTOMER SVC CENTRAL	268	2.9%
CUSTOMER SVC NE	3	0.0%
CUSTOMER SVC NW	2	0.0%
CUSTOMER SVC SW	455	5.0%
CUSTOMER SVC SO SOUND	1	0.0%
CUSTOMER SVC WASHCAP	50	0.5%
CUSTOMER SERV LTC	7	0.1%

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MCS Clients by CSO of Issuance (DSHS Region, CSO, CSCC, and HCS Office) December 2013 Snapshot

Source: ESA-ACES Data

	Clients	
	Number	Percent
HCS Region 1		
MOSES LK HCS OFFICE	1	0.0%
SPOKANE HCS OFFICE	2	0.0%
YAKIMA HCS OFFICE	1	0.0%
Region Total	4	0.0%
HCS Region 2		
ALDERWOOD HCS OFFICE	1	0.0%
EVERETT HCS OFFICE	1	0.0%
HOLGATE HCS OFFICE	2	0.0%
MT VERNON HCS OFFICE	1	0.0%
Region Total	5	0.1%
HCS Region 3		
BREMERTON HCS OFFICE	1	0.0%
OLYMPIA HCS OFFICE	2	0.0%
TACOMA HCS OFFICE	3	0.0%
VANCOUVER HCS	3	0.0%
Region Total	9	0.1%
State Total	9,144	100.0%

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MCS Clients by CSO of Residence⁹ (DSHS Region and CSO) December 2013 Snapshot

Source: ESA-ACES Data

	Clients	
	Number	Percent
Region 1		
ACCESS SPOKANE 032	868	9.5%
CLARKSTON CSO	40	0.4%
COLFAX CSO	16	0.2%
COLVILLE CSO	62	0.7%
ELLENSBURG CSO	38	0.4%
GOLDENDALE CSO	24	0.3%
KENNEWICK CSO	332	3.6%
MOSES LAKE CSO	114	1.2%
NEWPORT CSO	20	0.2%
OKANOGAN CSO	75	0.8%
REPUBLIC CSO	28	0.3%
SUNNYSIDE CSO	52	0.6%
WALLA WALLA CSO	48	0.5%
WAPATO CSO	57	0.6%
WENATCHEE CSO	106	1.2%
WHITE SALMON CSO	11	0.1%
YAKIMA CSO	188	2.1%
Region Total	2,079	22.7%
Region 2		
ALDERWOOD CSO	138	1.5%
AUBURN CSO	181	2.0%
BELLINGHAM CSO	224	2.4%
BELLTOWN CSO	400	4.4%
CAPITOL HILL CSO	117	1.3%
EVERETT CSO	315	3.4%
FEDERAL WAY CSO	115	1.3%
KING EASTSIDE CSO	233	2.5%
KING NORTH CSO	289	3.2%
KING SOUTH CSO	225	2.5%
MT VERNON CSO	129	1.4%
OAK HARBOR CSO	41	0.4%
RAINIER CSO	194	2.1%
RENTON CSO	165	1.8%
SKY VALLEY CSO	118	1.3%
SMOKEY POINT CSO	210	2.3%
WHITE CENTER CSO	316	3.5%
Region Total	3,410	37.3%

⁹ Caseload distribution is based on where clients live.

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MCS Clients by CSO of Residence (DSHS Region and CSO) December 2013 Snapshot

Source: ESA-ACES Data

	Clients	
	Number	Percent
Region 3		
ABERDEEN CSO	315	3.4%
BREMERTON CSO	391	4.3%
CHEHALIS CSO	254	2.8%
COLUMBIA RIVER CSO	541	5.9%
FORKS CSO	13	0.1%
KELSO CSO	278	3.0%
LAKESWOOD CSO	197	2.2%
LONG BEACH CSO	43	0.5%
OLYMPIA CSO	424	4.6%
PIERCE NORTH CSO	310	3.4%
PIERCE SOUTH CSO	266	2.9%
PORT ANGELES CSO	99	1.1%
PORT TOWNSEND CSO	23	0.3%
PUYALLUP VALLEY CSO	233	2.5%
SHELTON CSO	196	2.1%
SOUTH BEND CSO	26	0.3%
STEVENSON CSO	38	0.4%
Region Total	3,647	39.9%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	8	0.1%
Statewide Total	9,144	100.0%

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MCS Clients by County of Residence December 2013 Snapshot

Source: ESA-ACES Data

County	Clients	
	Number	Percent
Adams	13	0.1%
Asotin	39	0.4%
Benton	248	2.7%
Chelan	85	0.9%
Clallam	111	1.2%
Clark	529	5.8%
Columbia	2	0.0%
Cowlitz	283	3.1%
Douglas	20	0.2%
Ferry	13	0.1%
Franklin	85	0.9%
Garfield	0	0.0%
Grant	109	1.2%
Grays Harbor	319	3.5%
Island	47	0.5%
Jefferson	23	0.3%
King	2,249	24.6%
Kitsap	393	4.3%
Kittitas	39	0.4%
Klickitat	32	0.3%
Lewis	242	2.6%
Lincoln	12	0.1%
Mason	200	2.2%
Okanogan	69	0.8%
Pacific	74	0.8%
Pend Oreille	19	0.2%
Pierce	994	10.9%
San Juan	6	0.1%
Skagit	108	1.2%
Skamania	38	0.4%
Snohomish	779	8.5%
Spokane	846	9.3%
Stevens	76	0.8%
Thurston	430	4.7%
Wahkiakum	3	0.0%
Walla Walla	50	0.5%
Whatcom	230	2.5%
Whitman	17	0.2%
Yakima	275	3.0%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	37	0.4%
State Total	9,144	100.0%

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MCS Client Demographics December 2013 Snapshot

Source: ESA-ACES Data

Characteristic	Number	All Clients	
		Number	Percent
TOTAL	9,144	9,144	100.0%
Gender			
Female	3,617		39.6%
Male	5,527		60.4%
Race			
Hispanic Origin	646		7.1%
Not Hispanic or Latino	8,498		92.9%
White	6,129		67.0%
Black/African American	892		9.8%
Asian/Pacific Islander	255		2.8%
American Indian/ Alaska Native	290		3.2%
Two or More Races	106		1.2%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	826		9.0%
Marital Status			
Separated	999		10.9%
Married	418		4.6%
Never Married	5,192		56.8%
Divorced	2,241		24.5%
Widowed	190		2.1%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	104		1.1%
Citizenship			
U.S. Citizen	8,774		96.0%
Resident Alien	367		4.0%
U.S. National ¹⁰	3		0.0%
Homeless	3,407		37.3%

¹⁰ U.S. National: A national of the United States or a person who, though not a citizen of the United States, owes permanent allegiance to the United States (e.g., persons born in American Samoa or Swains Island).

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MCS Client Demographics (continued) December 2013 Snapshot

Source: ESA-ACES Data

Characteristic	Number	All Clients	
		Number	Percent
Disability			
Mental	4,708		51.5%
Physical	4,433		48.5%
Other ¹¹	3		0.0%
Education			
Less than a High School Diploma	2,088		22.8%
High School Graduate or GED	5,262		57.5%
Some College or College Degree	1,690		18.5%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	104		1.1%
Age			
Under 18 Years Old	25		0.3%
18 - 24 Years Old	973		10.6%
25 - 34 Years Old	2,016		22.0%
35 - 44 Years Old	2,105		23.0%
45 - 54 Years Old	3,003		32.8%
55 - 64 Years Old	1,022		11.2%
65+ Years Old	0		0.0%
Avg. Age of Clients		40.8	Years Old

¹¹ These three clients had disability codes assigned in previous months, but were found to not meet the disability requirement in December 2013. Therefore, these cases were closed as of December 31, 2013.